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TAGS: BDIS, TS

SUBJ: ALLENBERG COTTON CONTRACT DISPUTE

REF: STATE 44301, TUNIS 437

1. MABROUK OF SOUTUREC CONTACTED BUYER (FILAS) AFTER MEETING REPORTED TUNIS REFTEL TO ENCOURAGE COMPLETION OF SALE AT A NEW NEGOTIATED PRICE. FILAS REFUSED TO DISCUSS ANY PRICE, CLAIMING IT NOT BUYING FOR THE MOMENT. MABROUK, IN A LETTER DATED FEB 14, INFORMED ALLENGERG THAT FILAS IS NOW EVEN MORE RETICENT TO CONCLUDE AGREEMENT.

2. APPEARS THAT IT WILL BE DIFFICULT TO PRESS FILAS TO CONCLUDE COTTON PURCHASE TRANSACTION. SOTUREC ONLY HAS VERBAL AGREEMENT WITH FILAS, WHICH FILAS HAS SAID IT WILL DENY IF PRESSED. AS FILAS IS WHOLLY PRIVATE COMPANY, EMBASSY ABILITY TO INFLUENCE ITS POSITION IS LIMITED. SOTUREC, AS MIDDLEMAN, IS IN NO POSITION TO FINALIZE SALE, BUT IS ONLY PARTY WITH WRITTEN COMMITMENT.

3. REGRET PESSIMISTIC OUTLOOK THIS CASE BUT FEEL IT UNLIKELY FILAS WILL ACT AND EQUALLY UNLIKELY THAT SOTUREC HAS RESOURCES TO SATISFY CLAIM.  
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